(d) Development of three-beam guidance system for sea environment is the primary cause for taking more time for completion of the development work.

Financing of main Defence Projects by France

3974. PROF. M. SANKARALINGAM : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) what are the main projects that are to be financed by France in the field of defence;

(b) whether this financial understanding will boost the Indian defence production; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES) : (a) There are no projects that are to be financed by France in the field of Defence.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Pak-Sino build up Across the Border

†3975. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL :

SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA :

Will the MINISTER of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Pakistan and China have increased the mobilisation of their armies across the border;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) whether the incidence of firing from Pakistan at the border has also increased these days; and

(d) if so, the number of Indians killed during one year ?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES) : (a) and (b) There are no reports of increase of force levels along India-China border, Pakistan Army has carried out certain readjustments and reinforcements on the Line of Control. Some reserve formations have also been moved from their permanent locations closer to the Line of Control.

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.